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**- TUESDAY TELEGRAPH -**

News from the Office of Early Childhood Education at the DOE

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Introducing *Teaching Strategies GOLD Documentation*, a free app for *Teaching Strategies GOLD*® online subscribers. This user-friendly app enables teachers to easily capture photos, videos, audio recordings, and text notes using iPhone®, iPad®, or iPod touch®. The app is available at the Teaching Strategies website. Questions, please e-mail [info@teachingstrategies.com](mailto:info@teachingstrategies.com).

**2. Digital Learning - what is it? Do you have a definition? Digital Learning Day**

According to the Digital Learning Day website, the definition is: *Digital learning is any instructional practice that is effectively using technology to strengthen the student learning experience.*

Throughout the Digital Learning Day campaign, the Alliance for Excellent Education seeks to promote the use of technology to support teachers in public schools for grades K-12. The event focuses on teaching practice, rather than on specific technology tools. Digital Learning Day was created to engage students, celebrate educators and create better schools.

**3. Sign up Today for Digital Learning Day, February 6, 2013 - nationwide collaborative**

Participation is free and open to all interested educators. As a registered Digital Learning Day

participant, you'll receive exclusive information including ways to participate and tips for incorporating digital tools into your daily instruction. Sign up now to receive interactive lessons to use on Digital Learning Day. These lessons offer an opportunity to collaborate with thousands of educators nationwide, to celebrate the potential of digital learning right from your own classroom or school. For more information on Digital Learning Day, visit: [www.DigitalLearningDay.org](http://www.DigitalLearningDay.org).

The site offers a broad array of resources for children of all ages.

#### **4. Protective Factors to Strengthen Families online training – FREE - 12 hours of PD**

The online training **Bringing the Protective Factors Framework to Life** supports implementation of the Strengthening Families Framework in multiple settings. 7 courses, about 2 hours each as follows: the first introduces the protective factors, the 5 course modules; one on each of the protective factors and the last wrap up course is designed to move users from knowledge to action. 12 hours of PD is based on 6 hours of non-interactive online training and 6 self-study hours. This FREE training meets the NH Professional Development System Core Knowledge Area criteria. To learn more, contact: Julie Day, Strengthening Families Director, 603-224-1279 or [jday@nhchildrenstrust.org](mailto:jday@nhchildrenstrust.org).

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